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Title:

USE OF SECRETIN IN TREATMENTS OF DISORDERS

ASSOCIATED WITH THE AMYGDALA

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 OF PRIOR INVENTION

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131, we declare:

- 1. We are the inventors of the subject matter that is described and claimed in the above-captioned patent application.
- 2. The enclosed Exhibit is a copy of an invention disclosure, which shows that we had conceived the invention of the relevant claims prior to March 13, 2003. In particular, these pages show conception of the use of secretin for the treatment of bipolar disorder and other psychiatric disorders. The invention was conceived in the U.S.
- 3. As is stated in the Exhibit, we believed that the effects of secretin may be mediated, in part, by its effects on the amygdala. We further employed fMRI in the study of adolescents with bipolar disorder and observed abnormalities in the amydala of these subjects.
- 4. We diligently worked to reduce the invention to practice from just prior to March 13, 2003 to May 13, 2003, the filing date of the provisional application from which this application claims priority.

Diligence is evidenced by our work on an NIMH grant proposal to obtain federal funding to conduct studies of facial affect in patients with bipolar disorder during February - March 2003. In addition, between February and April, 2003, we developed a protocol to study masked vs. unmasked facial affect using fMRI. These experiments are relevant as bipolar subjects demonstrate altered amygdalar activation during facial affect tasks, and secretin modifies amygdalar activation during facial affect task.

From February to May 2003, we worked to demonstrate prefrontal cortex modulation of amygdalar activation in bipolar disorder. From March 2003 through May 13, 2003, we developed methods to increase the ability of fMRI to determine the effects of secretin on the central nervous system. From April to May 2003, we developed a protocol to assess the effects of secretin on brain activation in patients with schizophrenia. These activities are relevant to the invention because we believe that secretin produces a therapeutic effect at least in part through effects on the amygdala, and these studies sought to confirm a connection between bipolar disorder and schizophrenia and abnormalities of the amygdala.

These tasks were also carried out in the U.S.

5. All statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.

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